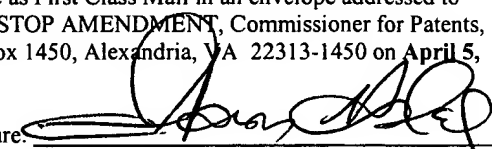


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action is submitted in response to the Official Action mailed on October 5, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period for reply is January 5, 2006. Applicants thus request a three-month extension of time, extending the period for response to April 5, 2006. Accordingly, this Response is being timely submitted. Please charge the fee of \$510.00 for a three month extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0540. A duplicate of this page is enclosed. In response to the Official Action mailed on October 5, 2005, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

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